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a man by the name of Jose Canalde Martin, who described himself as a delegate of the Frente 25X1X6 Macional de la Resistencia y Liberación de la Republica Espanola (National

Front of the Resistance and Liberation of the Spanish Republic) had reached Paris, having come from Barcelona. He stated that the Giral Government would be advised of his arrival through the British Consulate, but by 28

Movember no word concerning him had been received from it.

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Below is a resume of statements made by Canalda:

The Consejo Central de Resistencia (Central Council of Resistance) is represented by the following persons:

> Julio Miquelarena, professor, who belongs to the Spanish Socialist Party, Jose Peres Carreno, major in the Air Corps, no party affiliation, Luis Garcia, medical student, of the PSUC (Catalan Communist party) Amparo Valor, of the Spanish Socialist Party, and J. Casas, lawyer, of the CNT.

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The Consejo is in control of some 250 persons of the aviation group in Barcelona. The Consejo has organized the municipal councils for Barcelona and the vicinity (presumably to be installed should the present regime be overthrown). It has complete information concerning the Palace of Justice, the Model Prison, labor battalions, administrative agencies and some municipal councils in the province of Bercelona. The organization controls more than 15,000 civilians, who have cards bearing the words "Frente Nacional de la Resistencia y Liberacion de la Republica Espanola". The council maintains contact with the military organization known as the AFARE (Agrupacion de Muerzas Armadas de la Republica Espanola), the Alianza Nacional de Fuerzas Democraticas, the UGT, the PSUC, the Front Nacional de Catalunya, the Partido Laborista and the Esquerra Republicana. As of 28 October, the council had at its disposal two airplanes manned by Franco personnel to come to France; the chief of the commission was a major named Rawos.

Canalda said that he expected to receive a complete report concerning the Consejo, in which the full membership controlled by it would be named, and from which he would write a memorandum to be sent to the Giral Government.

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Canalda crossed the Pyrenees frontier on 21 November through Valcarlos, Province of Navarre, arriving at the French town of St. Jean Pied de Port. From there, he went to Bayonne. He then proceeded to Bordeaux, where he visited the camp of Merignac, and then to Paris. The French police at St. Jean Pied de Port treated him exceptionally well. After examining his papers, they not only released him immediately, but facilitated his trip to Bordeaux, where he had to present himself to the police commissioner as a matter of form.

- 25X1X6 5. said that Canalda possessed documents accrediting him as a representative of the resistance forces.
 - stated that Canalda appeared to be of Communist inclinations, and that apparently his mission was to secure the definite and final recognition by the Giral Government of the interior resistance forces.
 - 7. A member of the Giral cabinet expressed surprise at the ease with which Canalda had crossed the frontier and thought it advisable to subject him to careful questioning.

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